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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Response to Restriction Requirement of T. Tanaka, et al. in the above-identified patent application entitled THIN-FILM TRANSISTOR AND METHOD FOR MAKING THE SAME.

Also enclosed are: Return Receipt Postcard

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required, as well as any patent application processing fees associated with this communication for which full payment has not been tendered, to Deposit Account No. 19-3140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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S I R:

This amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated December 21, 2001. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.

**ELECTION OF CLAIMS**

In the Office Action, the Examiner requested an election of claims pursuant to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 between Group I claims 1-3, 10 and 12, and Group II claims 4-9, 11 and 13.

In response, applicant hereby elects examination of Group II claims 4-9, 11 and 13.

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